

WAR ON ALCOHOL NOW

PUTS SHADE ON SPRING ADVANCE

War Secretary Bars All Alcoholic Beverages from Use in His Household.

SENTIMENT BEING SOUNDED By British Cabinet Leaders on the Question of Almost Absolute Prohibition.

LONDON, April 1.—The war on alcohol, an outcome of the labor situation in Great Britain, has definitely taken precedence over the much talked of spring advance of the allies in the West, the reason being that the problem of munitions has become more pressing than that of recruiting.

The pronouncements of cabinet leaders on the question of temperance are intended to pave the way and sound public sentiment preparatory to either a cutting off of absolute sale of drink throughout the country except on physicians' prescriptions or the adoption of some measure which, while perhaps not called absolute prohibition, will have almost as drastic an effect. War Secretary Kitchener has announced that no alcoholic beverages shall be served in his household for the duration of the war.

The battlefields in the East and West afford little news today and although the allies are reported as having resumed operations in the Dardanelles nothing official is forthcoming.

Today being the centenary of the birth of Bismarck, the London newspapers review editorially the career of this German statesman ending in the break with the present emperor and speculate on what might have been the outcome of the war to date had Bismarck been at the helm.

Austria would seem to be strengthening its forces in Bukovina with the idea of thwarting a formidable Russian advance in the Carpathians and this, according to the British view, explains the Austrian incursion into Russia over the Dniester river at a point near Czernowitz.

BELGIAN AVIATORS

Bombard an Aviation Camp and Railroad Junction Says the French Statement.

PARIS, April 1.—Belgian aviators yesterday bombarded the aviation camp at Haddesme and the railroad junction at Cortemarck, according to the French official statement today. No mention of the damage done is made in the report. Near the farm of Le Cholera, north of Berry-au-Bac, the French blew up a mine shaft, while the Germans were working on it and following the explosion, projectiles from French seventy-five millimeter guns were hurled at the Germans. In this fighting a German observation post was destroyed.

HOSTILITIES

Between Russian and Turkish Forces Are Resumed in Persian Territory.

TABRIZ, Persia, March 31, via Petrograd and London, April 1.—Hostilities between Russian and Turkish forces in Persia have been resumed. On March 25 the Russians defeated the Turks in a sanguinary battle at Akkurt, north of Baku in northwestern Persia. The Turks lost 12,000 in killed, wounded and prisoners, as well as many guns.

CATALOGUES

Of Great Value to Purchasers Are Issued by the Palace Concern.

The Palace Furniture and Piano Company of this city, always progressive and always in the lead among the big retail stores of the state, has just issued a new and up-to-date catalogue which was printed by the Telegram press. It is possible that the publication of its kind in the state and the local firm is to be commended for its progressive ideas.

The catalogue of seventy-two pages is brimful of interesting information on house furnishings. Cuts are used to illustrate the articles listed and brief descriptions, measurements and prices are given. By reading this catalogue the public may become better acquainted with the different period styles of furniture, such as Adam, Sheraton, William and Mary, Charles II, etc., which have come into prominence during the last decade. But the real purpose of the catalogue is to show the buying public of this community that money may be saved by trading at home rather than by patronizing the small order houses of the big cities.

These catalogues are at the Palace for distribution and are free for the asking. A card will bring one by mail.

TOMBSTONES

Are Procured for Federal Soldiers' Graves, by J. M. Swartz.

Jacob M. Swartz, Civil war veteran and prominent member of the Grand Army of the Republic, has been notified by the war department at Washington that a shipment of tombstones for the graves of deceased United States soldiers in this section has been sent him. They will arrive in a few days and those for whom they were ordered may get them at the Baltimore and Ohio railroad depot.

Mr. Swartz says that all friends or relatives of deceased soldiers who served in the United States army who desire them can get tombstones for the soldiers' graves by applying to him. His address is 215 South Second street, Clarksburg. The stones are furnished by the federal government and delivered free of any cost at the railroad freight depot. If they have to be reshipped, or moved from the railroad depot, there will be a small cost. In making out the applications, the name of the deceased soldier, his company and regiment, the places of his service, age and place buried should be included.

NABBED

Are Men at Grafton and They Are to Be Tried on a Liquor Carrying Charge.

GRAFTON, April 1.—Edward Maphis, with fourteen gallons of whiskey and six bottles of beer in a buggy with the driver, was arrested by local city and county officers a recent night in the outskirts of the city, on a warrant charging violation of the prohibition law. The trial has not yet been held. The officers say that Maphis got the "booze" in Oakland, left the Baltimore and Ohio train at Lesmalinston, just outside the city limits, and there was met by the driver with the buggy and brought on into the city. The defendants claim that the liquor was laded in accordance with the provisions of the law.

HELL BETTER

Place in Which to Live Than Are the Turpentine Camps in South Alabama.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., April 1.—"I would rather spend four years in hell than four years in a turpentine camp," declared Len Greer, associate member of the state board of convict supervision, in describing to the legislative investigating committee conditions in the turpentine camps of south Alabama. Greer said that he would recommend that all contracts for lease of state convicts to persons in south Alabama be cancelled. He declared tasks were too heavy and hours too long.

COLUMBUS

Store of the United Woolen Mills Company is Undergoing Big Improvements.

The Ohio State Journal, the leading newspaper of Columbus, O., publishes the following:

"Extensive and substantial remodeling of the Marshall building, at Gay and High streets, is being done by the United Woolen Mills Company, which has taken a twenty-one year lease on the building.

Much is being done to improve the appearance of the building and to make it of more general service for carrying on the company's business. The old outside stairway has been removed and a new one is being installed, and the Gay street side is to take on a more up-to-date appearance. All of the ground floor store room will be occupied by the United Woolen Mills Company.

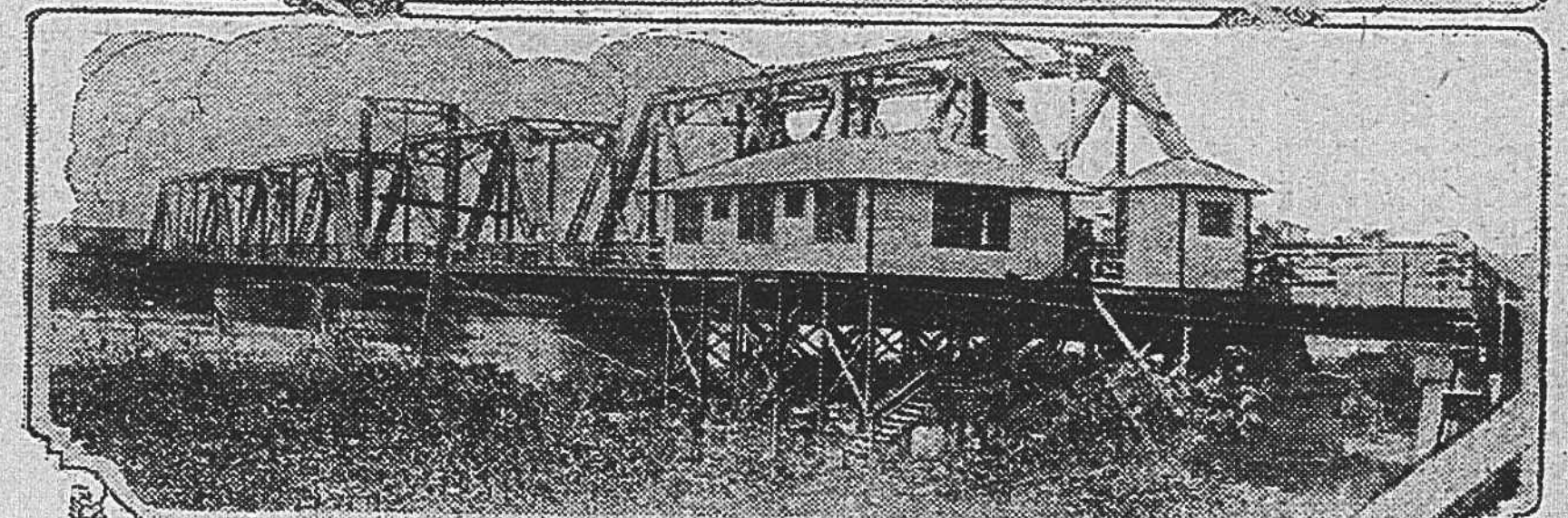
The lessees of the building are spending \$20,000 on the work of rehabilitation.

The new Columbus location of the "Woolen" is undoubtedly the best in that city and shows what this progressive institution, which has a live store in this city is doing elsewhere.

FIRST YOST LAW VIOLATORS.

ELLENBORO, April 1.—Abe and Ellis Corra, the Pennsylvania fruit dealers, have the doubtful honor of being the first persons to be arrested in Ritchie county, on the charge of violating the new prohibition law, by being charged with selling "cherry cider" of an intoxicating nature. They waived examination and gave bond to answer an indictment.

UNITED STATES TROOPS GUARD BROWNSVILLE AS CARRANZA AND VILLA FORCES FIGHT FOR MATAMORAS JUST ACROSS THE BORDER



Sabre drill of U. S. cavalry at Fort Brown, Texas; international bridge between Brownsville and Matamoros.

Brownsville, Texas, is alarmed over the situation in Matamoros on the Mexican side of the Rio Grande. It can city is bombarded lives and property in Brownsville will be in danger. Consequently United States troops bridge connecting Brownsville and Matamoros has been guarded constantly by U. S. regulars for the past two

STEAMER TORPEDOED

In the English Channel by a German Submarine and only Two Are Saved.

LONDON, April 1.—The French steamer Emma, bound to O'Brien, was torpedoed Wednesday in the English channel off Ebehead by a German submarine. Nineteen members of the crew were drowned, only two being saved. The periscope of the submarine had hardly been sighted from the Emma when the torpedo from the undersea boat struck the Emma in the engine. No warning of any kind was given. The ship foundered in three minutes from the time it was struck. A British destroyer subsequently picked up two men who had been in the water for a couple of hours. The Emma had a crew of twenty-one men. All the others lost their lives.

CLUB GROUNDS

Will Be Vividly Pictured at the Big Local Talent Show Here Next Week.

Luther Moore, stage carpenter for the production of "Maid in Clarksburg," the big musical comedy appearing at the Robinson Grand Wednesday and Thursday of next week, announces that the special scenery made and painted for this big musical comedy is now ready. As previously stated through these columns the first scene of this play is staged at the Country Club grounds of this city. Look at the scenery prepared will easily lead you to believe that you are at the Country Club grounds instead of in the Robinson Grand theater.

Mr. Moore has arranged fine scenery for this scene and ably assisted by his artistic scene painter, who was secured from New York to paint this scenery, wonders along scenic lines have been accomplished. The last nail has been driven and the last stroke of the paint brush made. All is in readiness on the stage for this production.

SIX SUSPECTS

All Indicted for Murder in Miner's Riot Are Brought Back to Fairmont.

FAIRMONT, April 1.—Special Officers W. B. Harris, Julius Grotzinger and C. H. Hurst returned from Pittsburgh last night with six men in charge, arrested as members of the rioters who murdered Constable Riggs at Fairmont a month ago.

Three of the men, Vincenzo Furci, John Furci and Marcus Perrie, were arrested in Pittsburgh; two, Carlo Marconich and John Cio in Russelltown, Pa., and the sixth, John Gorp, in Republic, Pa.

Gorp was engaged to marry Minnie Dursh, a Farmington girl, early in April and a letter he wrote to her caused his arrest in Republic. The others were tarred by detectives and captured.

All the men arrested are indicted for murder.

Two other men, only Gregory and Ralph Gregory, were arrested in Farmington charged with the same offense today.

PRESBYTERY TO MEET.

The Presbytery of Grafton will meet at Weston at 7:30 o'clock p. m. April 2.

INFORMATION

Sought by Lilly, As to This State's Finance Before He Makes a Reply.

CHARLESTON, April 1.—Following the receipt of a joint letter from Auditor Darst and Treasurer Long Monday, asking for an official opinion as to the powers of the state to borrow money to relieve the present financial difficulties of its fiscal agents, Attorney General Lilly has replied to that letter by making a request for full information in regard to all deficits that have occurred in the treasury since the state was organized, and how they were handled.

He asked specifically for the following information: "What is the present condition of the state's finances, giving the balance on hand, if any; in the state fund, including blank appropriations?"

"State how blank appropriations of the state treasury have been handled by you and your predecessors in the administration of the state fund."

"Also give me the condition of the state fund at the close of each fiscal year for as many preceding years as convenient, and show the amount of money collected for each fiscal year for all purposes, and the total amount disbursed for corresponding periods for all purposes."

"Furnish me in general such other facts and information as you have which will tend to show whether or not there is a casual deficit, and any other facts that you may think will be helpful to me in answering your question."

JEWELRY ROBBERY

Is Done by Two Men in Philadelphia, And They Then Get Away in Automobile.

PHILADELPHIA, April 1.—Two robbers today entered the manufacturing jewelry establishment of W. B. Harris in the center of the city, covered the proprietor and his brother with revolvers and took more than \$3,000 worth of jewelry. They made their escape in an automobile. When the robbers entered the place the brothers were examining jewelry. "Don't move," said the intruder, "or you will get shot." All the jewelry in sight was stuck into the pockets of the robbers.

CLEVELAND MAN

Is Likely to Be Chosen Alternate Referee of Johnson-Willard Fight.

HAVANA, April 1.—Arrangements have been completed for the selection of an alternate referee for the Johnson-Willard fight next Monday. The principals and promoters have agreed to meet late today for this purpose and unless there is an eleventh hour upset of their plans they will select M. J. Hinkel, of Cleveland, to step in to relieve Referee Welsh in case the latter should be knocked out by a stray punch or sun sickness.

Mrs. J. W. Bartlett, of the Woman's Exchange, requests all contributors to call at the City Market Saturday morning and receive checks for the amounts due them. Mrs. Bartlett also requests that the paid goods for Saturday's exchange be sent in as early in the morning as possible.

CUSP.DOR

Is Thrown at Officer and Goff McIntyre is Jailed for the Grand Jury.

Under a charge of feloniously assaulting C. J. Dirain, a constable, with a cuspidor when the officer started to arrest him at Enterprise, Goff McIntyre is a prisoner in the county jail awaiting the action of the next grand jury. The constable had his head skinned and bruised but the injury is not serious.

McIntyre was brought to the jail Wednesday night following a hearing before Magistrate J. W. Walsworth at Enterprise, at the close of which he was held for the grand jury. He was unable to furnish the bond required.

BUYING

Horses and Mules in This State Are Agents for European War Countries.

WHEELING, April 1.—European war countries today entered the horse and mule markets in West Virginia and the adjacent counties of Ohio through an agent here who empowered stock men to buy the best grades they could find. Artillery horses were especially desired and good prices were offered. Local men were commissioned to do the buying because of their knowledge of local conditions and the strain of horses bred in this section.

WAR PRISONERS

Are to Be Taken Off Ships and Kept on Shore Hereafter by the British.

(Correspondence of Associated Press.) LONDON, April 1.—Three of the nine ships utilized by the British government as "prison ships" for the confinement of prisoners of war at a cost of nearly half a million dollars a month have now been taken off, and it is expected that all the others will be vacated by the end of April, and all prisoners provided for on shore. The number of prisoners on board those still in the service is as follows: Asencia, 1,400; Scotian, 1,100; Lake Manitoba, 1,200; Saxonia, 2,800; Ivernia, 1,600; and Royal Edward, 1,200.

MANY PRISONERS

Are Taken by the German Eastern Army during the Month of March.

BERLIN, via London, April 1.—The report on hostilities today says that in the month of March the German eastern army took 55,800 Russian prisoners including officers and soldiers and captured also nine cannons and 61 machine guns. Russian attempts to cross the Rawa river near Skiernowice resulted in failure. On the western front French troops penetrated the German outer trenches west of Pont-au-Mousson. The French suffered heavy losses during engagements east of Luneville. Artillery engagements were reported from other sections of the west.

A peach grower near Waynesboro, Pa., shipped 80 baskets of peaches to Baltimore recently and received 45 cents a basket for them. The baskets each held 100 peaches.

HEADS HACKED OFF BY TURKS

MURDER

Hearing of Wesley Ferrell is to Be Held Monday Evening.

A warrant charging murder is to be issued in Magistrate T. G. Nicewarner's court against Wesley Ferrell, the young man arrested and jailed for shooting William Corbin, a coal miner, two weeks ago near Industrial, as the result of Corbin's death Wednesday in a hospital of tetanus developing from his wound. The prosecuting attorney will make the formal complaint.

One warrant, which was signed by Corbin at the hospital and which charges Ferrell with felonious assault, has already been issued by Magistrate Nicewarner. Arrangements have been made for a hearing under this warrant Wednesday night, but the death of Corbin altered the circumstances and the hearing was continued until 7:30 o'clock next Monday evening. In the meantime, however, the murder warrant will be substituted and Ferrell will have a preliminary hearing under that.

ESPIONAGE

Is Charged against a Woman Who Ruined the Life of a French Naval Ensign.

PARIS, April 1.—Marie Louise Welenski, said to have been associated with Naval Ensign Ulmo, who was sentenced to life imprisonment in 1908 for selling French naval plans to a foreign government, has been arrested on a charge of espionage.

Charles Ulmo, an ensign in the French navy, was found guilty in 1908 of attempting to sell naval secrets to Germany and was sentenced to life imprisonment. Ulmo made a partial confession and asked for clemency on the ground that he was a victim of the opium habit and that he had fallen under the power of an unscrupulous woman for whom he had squandered his fortune and ruined his life.

DUTCH STEAMER

Is Arrested by British Torpedo Boats, Under Suspicion of Having Oil for Germans.

LONDON, April 1.—A despatch from Newhaven, a port on the English channel in Sussex, says a large Dutch cargo boat, the Lodewijk Van Nassau, has been brought into Newhaven by two British torpedo boats under the suspicion that it has been supplying German submarines with fuel oil. The torpedo boats gave chase to the Lodewijk Van Nassau and captured it near Brighton. It is said the members of its crew appear to be Germans. The name of the vessel is painted on each side in huge letters. It has a cargo of oil on board and this is now being examined. When hailed by the British boats the Dutch steamer refused to stop, but it was eventually brought to a halt.

FREE LOVE

Apostle is in All Kinds of Trouble in Ritchie County at Present.

ELLENBORO, W. Va., April 1.—Wesley Fleming, the alleged apostle of free love, who was recently arrested at McConnellsville, O., by the federal authorities on a white slave charge, for transporting Sadie Jamison, of Combs, Ritchie county, to Leavittown, Ill., and living with her as his wife, having a wife and children in Ohio, has pleaded guilty to the charge of adultery in the Illinois court, and fined \$100. In an application for a continuance he swore he intended to marry the girl, who was unlawfully detained at her home here in West Virginia, and thereby escaped a jail sentence. This charge being untrue, he now faces a perjury charge in Illinois. Fleming is now under bond to answer an indictment for adultery here in Ritchie county and must appear at the federal court at Columbus, O., also.

ACQUITTED.

Of Violating Prohibition Law by Treating Friends to Whiskey.

Arrested at an Adamstown boarding house by police of that town on a charge of violating the prohibition law by giving whiskey to others, John Llewellyn, of that place, was tried and acquitted Thursday in Magistrate T. G. Nicewarner's court. It was shown at the hearing that the whiskey was given to friends and relatives from the boarding house and that it was not sold for profit.

GENERAL MASSACRE SOON

Of 10,000 or 15,000 Remaining Christians is Expected Unless Averted by Official Orders.

TABRIZ, Persia, March 31, via Petrograd and London, April 1.—Jocelyn the reoccupation by the Russians of Salmas plains in Azerbaijan province northwest of Urmiah, hundreds of native Christians were rounded up by the Turks in the village of Hatfield and massacred. Many of these were searched out from the homes of friendly Mohammedans who tried to hide them.

The Russians on entering the village found 720 bodies mostly naked and mutilated. The recovery of bodies from wells, pools and ditches and their burial kept 300 men busy for three days. The wailing of women intensified the horror of the scene. Surviving widows who were able to identify the bodies of their husbands insisted on digging graves and burying the bodies. Some of the victims had been shot. In other cases they were bound to ladders and their heads protruding through were hacked off. Eyes were gouged out and limbs chopped off. A general massacre of the 10,000 or 15,000 Christians remaining in Urmiah is expected unless it should be averted by orders from Constantinople. Verbal messages from Urmiah confirm earlier reports that more than 2,000 have died of disease. These messages also confirm reports of the maltreatment of the Rev. H. T. Allen, an American missionary at Urmiah.

JAIL DELIVERY

Is Successfully Pulled Off in Town of Harrisville in Ritchie County.

ELLENBORO, April 1.—A successful jail delivery was pulled off at Harrisville this week and Coleman Haddock, charged with a felony, and Charles Beemer, who had but five days to serve, are at liberty. With the aid of a monkey wrench, evidently passed to them by outside friends, the couple removed several iron bars, making escape easy. The couple were taken to Hughes' river with bloodhounds, as soon as the delivery was discovered the following morning, where tracks indicated that some one had met the fugitives with horses and assisted them to make their escape.

HOME FROM FLORIDA.

Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey W. Cork and children, Robert and Christine of Mr. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel W. Bowman and Dr. R. A. Haynes returned Wednesday evening from Florida, having been gone sixteen days. They visited Tampa, Jacksonville, St. Petersburg, Wauchula and other places in that state.

SAFETY FIRST

Stop at Street Corners in Cities is Being Planned by the Traction Company.

The Monongahela Valley Traction Company, in the interest of the safety of patrons, is planning changes in the system of stopping cars at street corners and other places. Letters asking the co-operation of the citizens of the various communities have been sent to the following representatives of civic organizations: G. W. Dudderar, secretary the Clarksburg board of trade; Clarksburg; C. W. Evans, secretary Fairmont chamber of commerce; Fairmont; Jesse Shimp, secretary Mannington board of trade; Mannington; Jackson Arnold, secretary Weston board of trade, Weston. The letter follows:

"Dear sir:

"Realizing that practically all of the electric roads in the country are stopping on the near side of the crossing in their city service, we have made investigation and find this change was made to avoid accidents, or 'SAFETY FIRST.'

"We are considering taking this step in the cities whose streets are used, believing that crossing accidents may be avoided. We realize that this change will make considerable inconvenience to the patrons when first instituted, but we also feel that it must come sooner or later and the longer it is put off the harder it will become.

"Before making any change, we would appreciate your opinion on the subject.

"Very truly yours,

"J. M. HARRIS, President."